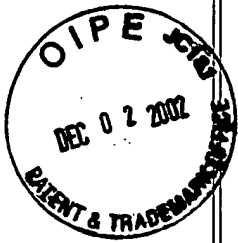


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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In the interests of accuracy and clarity, applicants  
preliminarily amend their application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2, with  
the following rewritten paragraph:

--The present invention relates to an X-ray  
fluorescence analysis apparatus for carrying out non-  
destructive elementary analysis, and more particularly relates  
to an X-ray fluorescence analysis apparatus divided into

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